## SUMMARY OF CHANGES TO THE ASSISTED LIVING METHODOLOGY

The change to the Assisted Living Methodology sets the maximum number of beds any one applicant can apply for in one application cycle at 80. This will distribute the beds among providers to give prospective residents a choice of services. A National Study of Assisted Living for the Frail Elderly by the US Department of Health and Human Services in 1999 concludes that the average number of beds in an Assisted Living Facility is 53. 21% have 51 to 100 beds and 12% have more than 100 beds. The eighty bed limit is greater than the national average and reflects the expected growth of the industry.